



Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Dear Mr. Hagemann:

APPROVAL OF BRINE WASTE DISCHARGE STUDY FOR ORDER NO. R3-2017-0025, WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE AVILA BEACH COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY DISCHARGE TO THE PACIFIC OCEAN

At its public meeting on September 21, 2017, the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Coast Water Board) adopted Order No. R3-2017-0025, Waste Discharge Requirements for the Avila Beach Community Services District Wastewater Treatment Facility (order). The order included a condition that the District submit a brine waste disposal study to the Central Coast Water Board Executive Officer for approval prior to discharging brine waste. The order includes on page 11 the following requirements for the brine waste disposal study:

"The study shall include, at a minimum, the following elements: (1) a projection of brine volume and characteristics, (2) standard operating procedures that will be followed to determine the characteristics and composition of brine wastes proposed to be discharged, (3) an assessment of the impact of brine waste on permit compliance, (4) an assessment of the impact of the brine waste on the minimum probable initial dilution at the point of discharge, and (5) a detailed description of the brine waste disposal facilities and process flow diagram for the brine wastes."

The Central Coast Water Board received your revised brine waste disposal study dated February 5, 2019, and finds that it meets the requirements of the order. With this letter, the Central Coast Water Board Executive Officer approves the February 5, 2019 brine waste disposal study. With this approval, the Avila Beach Community Services District is authorized to accept and discharge brine wastes following implementation of all appropriate and required infrastructure and controls. Brine acceptance and brine waste discharges are subject to applicable conditions of the order.

DR. JEAN-PIERRE WOLFF, CHAIR | JOHN M. ROBERTSON, EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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Sincerely,

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